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Mr. Randy Mayo  
First Chief  
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Dear Mr. Mayo:

RE: Design Funding – Proposed Stevens Village Clinic & Partial Washeteria

I am writing this letter to document the Denali Commission's position with regard to the "best and final" offer from ASCG, Inc. for complete design of a new clinic with some elements of a personnel hygiene center for elders. The Commission has struggled with what we perceive to be extremely high design costs for rural primary care clinics including Stevens Village. We have concluded that the ASCG proposal of \$132,650 for base clinic design with an additional \$20,000 for site and soil analysis is too expensive.

Accordingly, we do not support a recommendation to award the contract for the Stevens Village clinic design to ASCG. If however, the community elects to provide their own funding for a portion of the design cost we would consider matching up to \$100,000 for this purpose.

Although this may be a disappointment to the community, we believe that this is not a setback for ultimate development of a new clinic in Stevens Village. As I have indicated in previous conversations the funding, design and imminent beginning of construction of the community water and sewer system expansion to the proposed clinic site are essential before Commission capital funding will be provided for a new clinic.

Please let me know if the community wishes to continue with ASCG using a portion of your own funding for this purpose. If not, then we should discuss alternatives for completing the clinic design with ANTHC staff at our June 30<sup>th</sup> meeting next week.

If you have any questions, please contact me 907-271-1459.

Sincerely,

Joel Neimeyer, P.E.  
Health Facilities Program Manager

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